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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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	10/650,215	MOSTAFAZADEH ET AL
	Examiner Nitin Parekh	Art Unit 2811

— The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address —
Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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 - If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 07 October 2005.
- 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-12 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 1-12 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on 11 April 2005 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) All b) Some * c) None of:
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION***Request for Continued Examination***

1. A request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 10-07-05 has been entered. An action on the RCE follows.
2. The amendment filed on 09/01/05 has been entered.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

4. Claims 1-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Wada (US Pat. 6703689).

Regarding claims 1-3, 5 and 6, Wada discloses a die-level/wafer level photo receiver/image sensor/opto-electronic device (Fig. 1) comprising:

- a semiconductor die (6 in Fig. 1) having edges and formed substantially from a semiconductor material (Col. 5, line 34) and a photo receiver/photonic

device optically exposed on a first surface (see 13 and B in Fig. 1; Col. 5, line 66)

- a conductive structure (8 in Fig. 1) formed in and through a portion of the semiconductor material of the die and not on the side edges of the semiconductor material of the die, the conductive structure being exposed on a second/bottom surface of the die that opposes the first surface (see 8 and A in Fig. 1), wherein the conductive structure is electrically connected to the photo receiver/photonic device through electrodes on the first surface (Col. 6, lines 5-56)
- the conductive structure comprising an under bump metallization (UBM) pad/seat (see 8a in Fig. 1 and 8A/8B) attached to the second surface and a solder ball (see 24 in Fig. 1; Col. 11, line 27) extending beyond the second surface, and
- the optically transparent laminate/glass (9 in Fig. 1) attached to the first surface of the die so as to overlay the photo receiver/photonic device, the photo receiver/photonic device being optically exposed through the transparent laminate/resin/insulating silicon oxide layers (9/16/28/30/38 in Fig. 1-8B; Col. 6, line 20-52; Col. 7, lines 15-55)
(Fig. 1-8B; Col. 5, line 25- Col. 6, line 60; Col. 2-12).

Regarding claim 4, Wada discloses the entire claimed structure as applied to claims 1 and 3 above, wherein Wada further discloses the UBM pad/seat being redistributed (see 22 in Fig. 9-10C; Col. 14) so as to occupy a different location on the second surface than the conductive structure.

Regarding claims 7-12, Wada discloses the entire claimed structure as applied to claims 1-6, above, wherein Wada discloses the wafer level photo receiver/image sensor/opto-electronic devices/plurality of devices being formed on the semiconductor wafer substrate (see Fig. 2; Col. 5, lines 55-60).

Response to Arguments

5. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-12 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nitin Parekh whose telephone number is 571-272-1663. The examiner can normally be reached on 09:00AM-05:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Eddie Lee can be reached on 571-272-1732. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9318.

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